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Mr. Philip Thomas
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Dear Philip:

I was sitting in my office yesterday with a co-worker admiring the New Jersey Arts Council January newsletter. I mentioned that I had met a person (named Philip) who worked at the Council at a conference I attended in New York in June 1980.

Leafing through the pages, lo and behold... there you were. What a coincidence!

Congratulations on your appointment with Symphony Hall. It sounds as if it is challenging and lots of fun... with room for you to be creative and your own man. I hope so. I do wish you the best and trust things are going well with you on all levels - personally, professionally and spiritually.

Well, I've done just the reverse. When we met I was with Kitani Foundation. Now I've joined the South Carolina Arts Commission working specifically with their youth and community touring programs. I knew there was a lot of paper pushing in state government, but this is unbelievable (smile).

Oh, guess what? I got married in February '81 and just had a beautiful baby girl this past January 3rd.

If you're ever this way, look me up.

Sincerely,

Vera Johnson Burkett
Asst. Coordinator